Supply of Subsidised Fertilizers to Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra

3003. SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of subsidised fertilizers demanded and supplied to Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra during the last six months of the current year so far, and during 1995-96 and 1994-95; and

(b) the reasons for short supply?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA): (a) and (b) Urea is the only fertilizer which is under statutory price control for which assessment and allocation is made by the Central Government to States and Union Territory Administrations. Central Government is also providing concession on sales of Di-Ammonium Phosphate (DAP), Muriate of Potash (MOP), Single Phosphate (SSP) and Complex grade fertilizers to farmers. The assessed requirement, supplies and consumption of urea during 1994-95, 1995-96 and Kharif, 1996 in Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra is given in the Statement (*see* below). As can be seen from the Annexed Statement, the supply of urea was adequate to take care of the requirement.

The Table below gives the consumption of DAP, MOP, SSP and complexes in Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra during 1994-95, 1995-96 and Kharif 1996:

(Lakh tonnes)

Product	Year	Madhya Pradesh	Maharashtra
DAP	1994-95	3.12	2.50
	1995-96	2.47	2.62
	Kharif 1996 (Estimated)	1.28	1.70
MOP	1994-95	0.29	1.53
	1995-96	0.38	1.84
	Kharif 1996 (Estimated)	0.24	1.15
SSP	1994-95	5.34	4.95
	1995-96	5.99	5.00
	Kharif 1996 (Estimated)	3.35	2.50
Complexes	1994-95	1.77	7.68
	1995-96	1.36	6.71
	Kharif 1996 (Estimated)	0.61	4.21

Statement

Assessed requirement, supplies and consumption of urea

(Lakh tonnes)

	Madhya Pradesh			Maharashtra		
	1994-95	1995-96	Kharif 1996	1994-95	1995-96	Kharif 1996
1. Assessed requirement	10.59	12.30	6.20	15.75	16.05	11.00
2. Quantity supplied*	11.54	13.09	5.66	16.42	17.93	10.93
3. Consumption	10.79	10.22	5.18 (Sales)	14.88	15.04	9.85 (sales)

*Excluding stocks with state institutional agencies.

Regional Centres of SAI

3004. SHRIMATI JAYANTI PATNAIK: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Regional Centres of the Sports Authority of India (SAI) alongwith their locations;

(b) whether Government have a proposal to set up new Regional Centres in the country;

(c) if so, whether any Regional Centre is proposed to be set up at Bhubaneshwar or Cuttack in Orissa; and

(d) if so, the steps taken in that direction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE (DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS) MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT) (SHRI R. DHANUSHKODI ATHITHAN): (a) The Sports Authority of India has six Regional centres with their Head Quarters at Bangalore (Southern), Gandhinagar (Western), Delhi (Central), Chandigarh (Northern), Calcutta (Eastern) and Imphal (North-Eastern).

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Punctuality of Andhra Pradesh Express

3005. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Andhra Pradesh Express plying between Hyderabad and New Delhi has a punctuality rate of only 25%.

(b) if so, the reasons for regular delays in the schedule of this train; and

(c) the steps proposed to monitor the Andhra Pradesh Express for punctuality?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Does not arise.

Reversing the status of small and marginal farmers

3006. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA: SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that despite the green revolution and implementation of as many as eight five year plans 80% of Indian farmers remain small or marginal farmers; and